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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT WITH TRAVERSE

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Election Requirement dated August 25, 2006. Reconsideration of the application based on the remaining claims as amended and arguments submitted below is respectfully requested.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450, on 9-25-06

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